

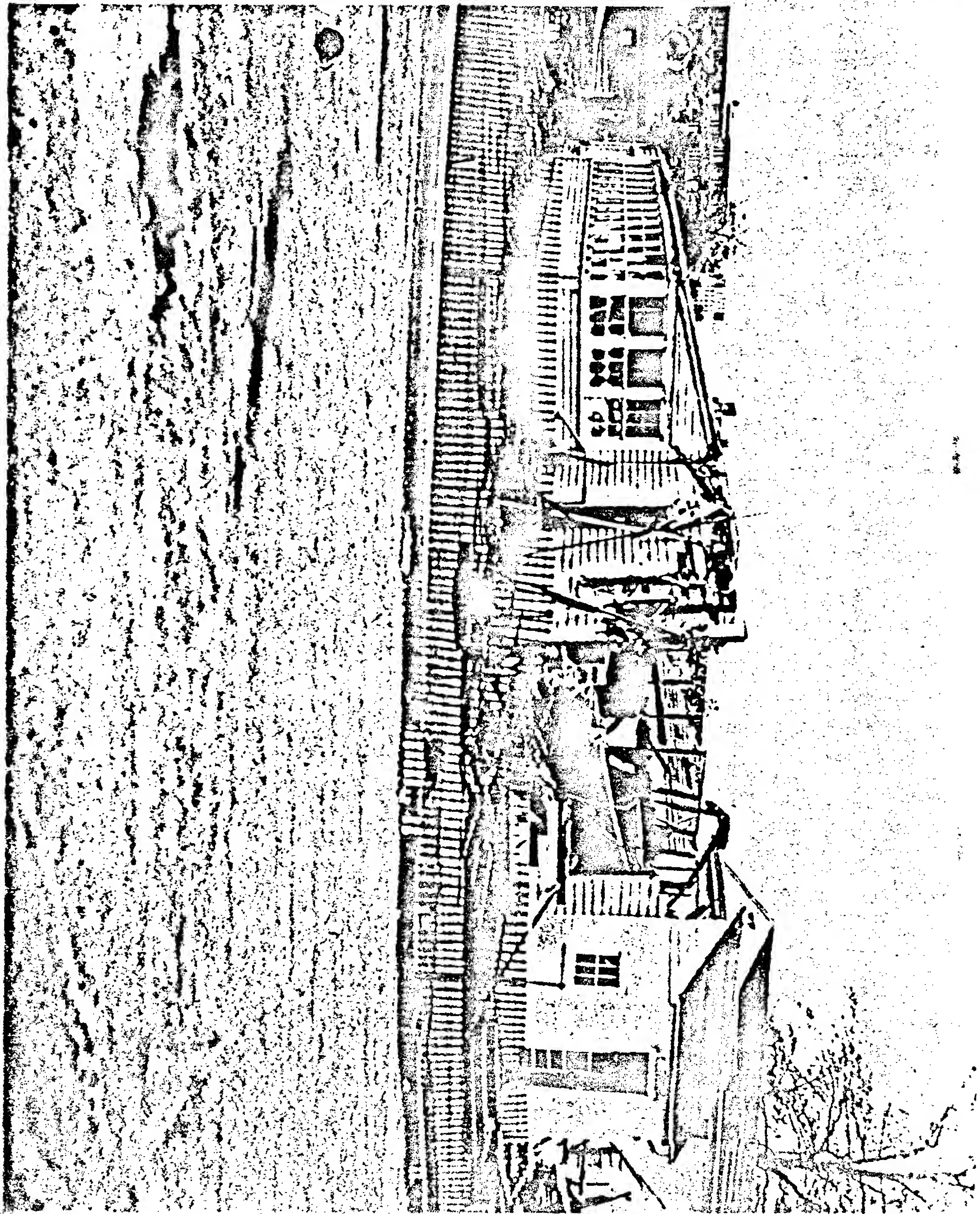
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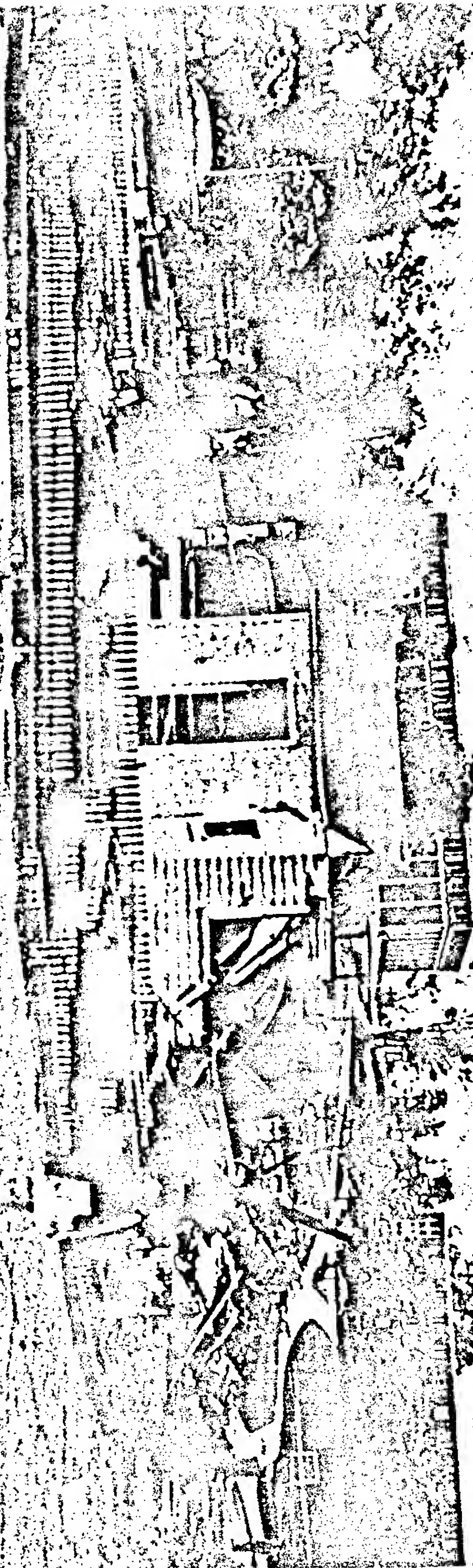
I. PHYSICAL SCENE

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FIRE ON MAY 2, 1970

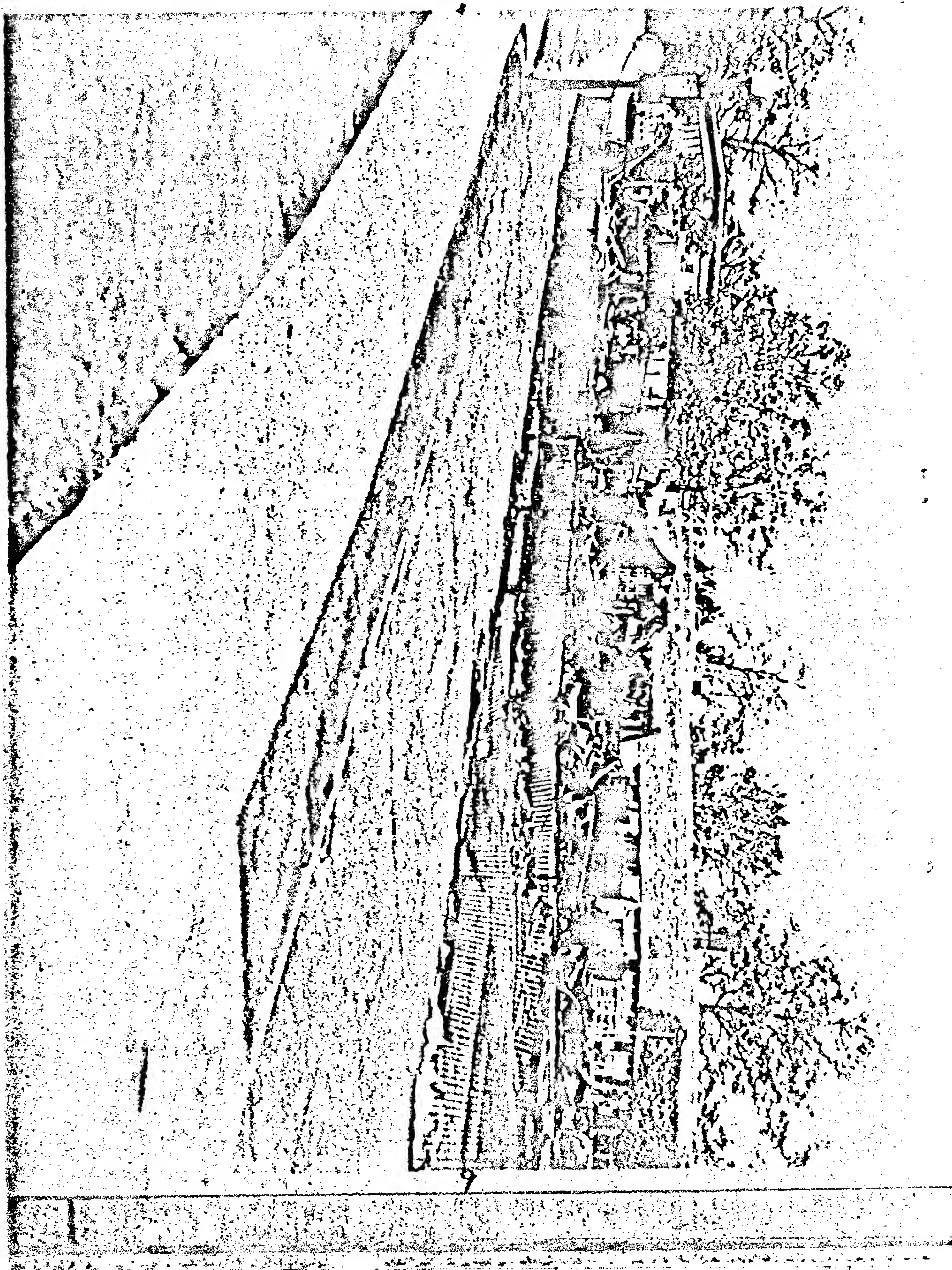
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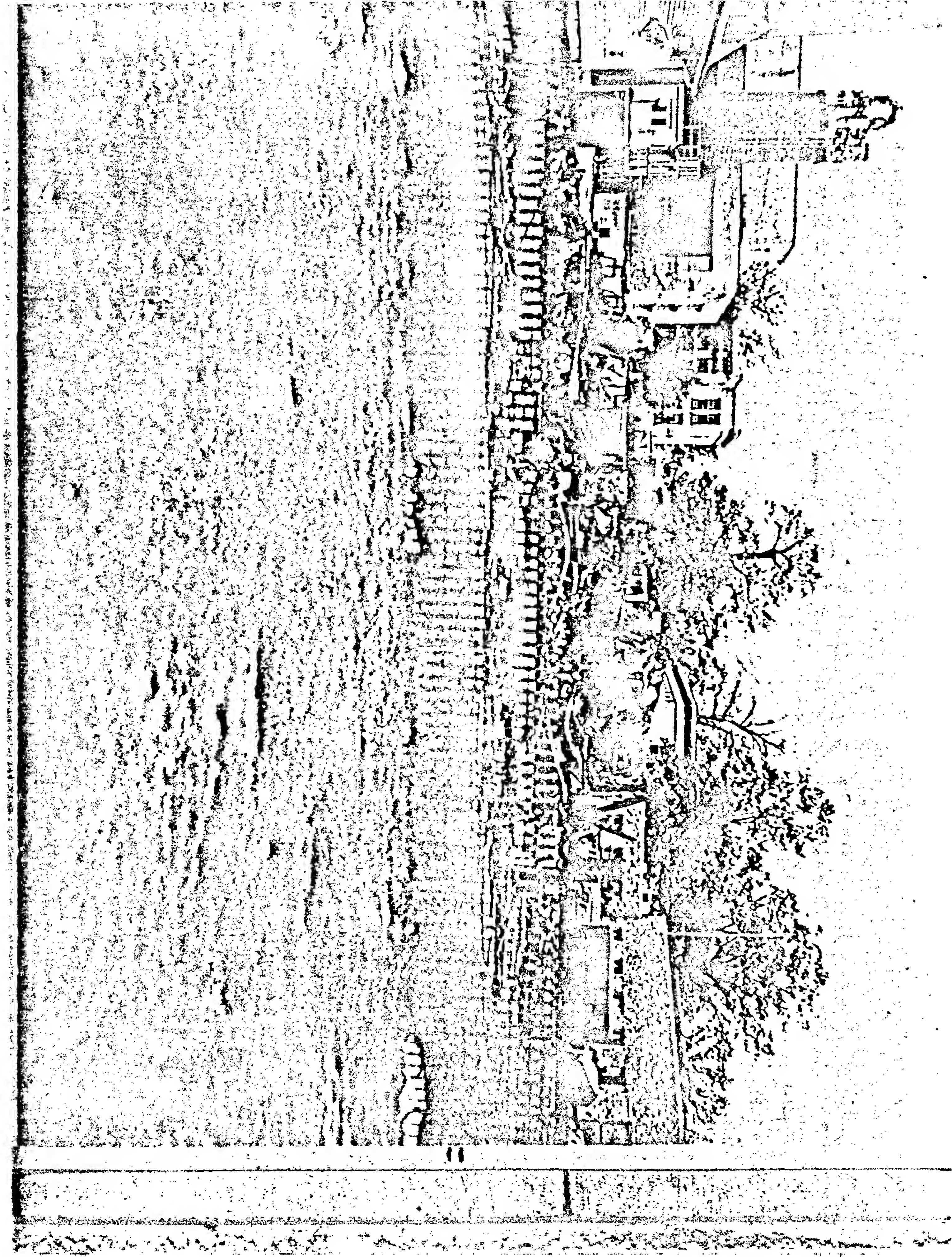
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PHOTOGRAPH FROM SOUTH CORNER
OF BURNED ARMY ROTC BUILDING



PHOTOGRAPH FROM SOUTHEAST END
OF BURNED ARMY ROTC BUILDING



**II. LIST OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT LOST
WHEN THE ROTC BUILDING AT KENT STATE
UNIVERSITY (KSU) WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 5-26-70 **7d 7c**

[REDACTED] ROTC staff, Kent State University (KSU), provided the attached list of military equipment which was lost when the ROTC Building at KSU campus was destroyed on the evening of Saturday, May 2, 1970.

On 5-26-70 at Kent, Ohio File # Cleveland 98-2140
by SAC **[REDACTED]** Date dictated 5-26-70

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US ARMY ROTC INSTRUCTOR GROUP
KENT STATE UNIVERSITY
KENT, OHIO 44240

PROPERTY LIST

<u>FSN</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>O/H</u>	<u>ITEM COST</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1005-673-7965	Pistol, Cal. 45	1	14.80	29.60
1005-694-4123	Rifle, Cal. 22	20	116.00	2320.00
1005-674-1425	Rifle, Cal, M-1	90	94.30	8487.00
1005-589-1271	Rifle, Cal. 7.62	50	122.00	6100.00
1095-899-8755	Rack, Rifle Small Arms	7	68.55	479.85
3610-540-8430	Duplicating Mach.	1	772.00	772.00
7110-274-4914	Sten. Processing Desk Right Ped. Type	2	82.00	164.00
7110-270-9836	Desk, Left Ped. Type	1	82.00	82.00
7110-270-9840	Desk, Double Ped. Type	8	75.00	600.00
7430-267-3457	Typewriter, Elec.	1	411.00	411.00
7930-286-9023	Typewriter Non-Elec.	2	218.00	436.00
3610-043-0299	Mach. Duplication Thermofax	1	377.00	377.00
7110-663-6362	Filing Cab. W/Comb Lock	2	530.00	1060.00
7110-262-6681	Top Book Case Sect	5	3.85	19.25
7110-082-2894	Book Case Section	19	23.00	437.00
7110-262-6673	Base Book Case	6	5.80	34.80
7110-281-4469	Chair W/O Arms	4	19.00	76.00
7110-273-8793	Chair Rotary W/Arms	8	23.70	189.60
7110-286-3796	Cabinet Filing	8	61.00	488.00
6230-299-7771	Light, Desk	10	12.70	127.00
7460-579-9786	File Visible Index	1	142.00	142.00
8405-082-5807	Trousers, OG 107	93	2.20	204.60
8405-266-8061	Shirt OG 107	106	2.20	233.20
8405-155-8583	Coat, Field	59	9.80	578.20
8440-782-2171	Socks, Wool	60	.64	38.40
8430-782-3084 thru 3129	Boots, Combat Blk	30	10.20	306.00
8465-242-7843	Cup, Canteen	80	1.13	90.40
8415-240-2512	Liner, Helmet	60	2.50	150.00
5120-289-0540	Intrenching Tool Comb	40	3.20	128.00
8465-542-5842	Carrier Intrenching Tool	40	1.29	51.60

FSN	ITEM DESCRIPTION	O/H	ITEM COST	TOTAL COST
8465-577-4927	Case Field 1st Aid	80	.34	27.20
8405-290-0550	Poncho Nylon OG207	80	5.25	120.00
8340-853-6435	Shelter, Half Tent	70	8.59	601.30
8465-577-4926	Cover, Cantoon	95	1.16	110.20
8465-889-3744	Cantoon, Plastic	20	.21	22.00
8415-761-6313	Liner, Helmet	60	6.50	390.00
7210-282-7950	Blankets	80	7.97	637.60
5805-521-1320	Telephone TA-1/PT	2	40.18	80.36
NSN	Camera, Polaroid	1	70.00	70.00
6730-663-9813	Projector 16MM	2	569.00	1138.00
	Sound			
NSN	Speaker, Projector	1	110.00	110.00
NSN	Slide Projector,	1	110.00	110.00
	Carousel			
NSN	Yashika Reflex	1	100.00	100.00
	Camera			
NSN	Rear View Screen	1	50.00	50.00
	and Kit			
NSN	Camera, Equipment		150.00	150.00
NSN	Screen BM 10-A	1	33.00	33.00
NSN	Megaphone	1	16.51	16.51
8345-250-0919	Sling Flag Staff	2	14.80	29.60
8345-656-1434	Flag National	2	6.10	12.20
	Colors			
8345-242-3656	Flag Staffs	10	6.56	65.60
NSN	Flag ROTC State	1 Est	25.00	25.00
	Seal			
6605-846-7618	Compass, Lensetic	25	8.31	207.75
7195-275-5824	Table, Work Armorer	1	110.00	110.00
8335-267-2965	Ft. Measuring Device	1	47.50	47.50
7105-269-9275	Table, Field	6	11.90	71.40
6650-678-5627	Telescope M-48	3	181.00	543.00
6650-530-0960	Telescope	4	124.00	496.00
8415-292-9239	Coat, Shooting	10	5.35	53.50
NSN	Kit Quick Kill	1 Est	75.00	75.00
NSN	Misc. GSA Supplies		1500.00	1500.00
NSN	Army Library Books	1	2500.00	2500.00
NSN	Display Cases ROTC	3	69.80	209.40
			TOTAL	34,718.02

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[REDACTED] provided the following figures for all equipment including the building which was lost during the destruction of the aforementioned building:

\$85,000.00	Building
29,000.00	University property (\$100 or greater in value)
34,718.02	Military
<u>\$148,718.02</u>	Total

[REDACTED] advised that the above figures were not yet complete but that he would provide the complete estimate at the time it was compiled.

III. BURNING OF THE ROTC BUILDING

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**A. INTERVIEWS WITH KENT STATE
UNIVERSITY (KSU) STUDENTS**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

May 22, 1970

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[redacted] Ohio, was interviewed by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] on May 19, 1970, at her home.

[redacted] stated that she was a sophomore at Kent State University (KSU) and lived in Room [redacted] Verder Hall. She stated that she was at the KSU campus from May 2 to May 4, 1970, and observed some parts of the disturbances.

[redacted] stated that she is a friend of [redacted] who resides in Canton, Ohio, but that she has not had an opportunity to speak with [redacted] concerning the disturbances or any of the incidents connected with the disturbances. She stated that [redacted] is a Social Work major and had recently spent a week in a black ghetto as part of her training. During this week, [redacted] had a small child with her whom she had befriended and as a result was in and out of the dormitory.

[redacted] stated that she did not participate in any demonstration and was not even a bystander. She stated that she stayed in her dormitory as ordered and the only information she has was information that she obtained second hand. She stated that the only incident that she personally saw was the burning of the ROTC Building and that she observed this from the sun deck of the dormitory.

[redacted] stated that a girl known to her as [redacted] who resides at Verder Hall at KSU and who may live in Shaker Heights, Ohio, observed a photographer being beaten after he had taken a photograph of some students burning a United States flag.

[redacted] stated that on Sunday afternoon she observed a mixed group of long hair, hippie type youths harassing the National Guard. She stated that they shouted obscenities at the Guardsmen and sang filthy songs and, in general, tried to aggravate them.

[redacted] stated that she observed some of the events on Monday, May 4, 1970, but from the distance of her

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by SAs [redacted]

[redacted]

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dormitory, she would be unable to identify any of the participants who took part in the disturbances.

[redacted] stated that AYE WOLFSON, who resides at 2414 Shady Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was an observer of the demonstration and has written an article for a Pittsburgh newspaper called "The Point" about the demonstration.

[redacted] stated that she did not know for sure but stated she is confident that [redacted] who both live at Verder Hall, took part in the demonstration. [redacted] categorized [redacted] as a radical but would not elaborate on this term.) 04.2

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Ohio, you interview at [redacted] Ohio, where she is employed, advised that she is a student at Kent State University (KSU), Kent, Ohio, where she resided in Room [redacted] Metcalf Hall.

She said that during the weekend of May 1-3, 1970, she and her boyfriend, KSU student [redacted] were in Washington, D.C., and did not return to the KSU campus until late on May 3, 1970.

[redacted] resides at [redacted] Ohio, and in Kent, Ohio, he resided at 323 East College Street.

She stated that she did not observe the shooting incident on May 4, 1970, inasmuch as she was afraid of what was going on and did not agree with challenging the National Guard; therefore, she stayed in her room.

She stated that she has no personal knowledge of the burning of the KSU ROTC Building, but stated that [redacted] had told her that an acquaintance of his, whom she has seen but does not know by name, had made some statement to [redacted] about making bombs and burning more buildings, but that the burnings did not transpire because there were too many National Guard troops around on campus.

She described this individual as a Caucasian male, approximately 5'6" in height, dark brown hair, small face, who had a mustache and who wears glasses with heavy frames. She stated that this individual gives the appearance of always staring.

She volunteered information that [redacted] (Last Name Unknown), a housemate of [redacted] is a "Communist" whose home residence is somewhere in West Virginia. After ANDY dropped

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SA [redacted]

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out of KSU he went to Michigan where he got in some sort of trouble at Ann Arbor. Recently he returned to Kent and has spoke of enrolling at KSU. She believes that [redacted] is his nickname, but stated that [redacted] know his true name.

She said she has no information that [redacted] had anything to do with the burning of the ROTC building or making bombs.

[redacted] advised that she has never been in the basement of [redacted] Kent residence, but has never seen anything that resembled a bomb or molotov cocktail on the premises.

She also volunteered information that [redacted] (Name Unknown) from [redacted] Ohio, was a member of SDS at KSU prior to dropping out of college this spring, and that [redacted] roommate, [redacted] also dropped out of school at the same time. Both of these persons used to live in Clark Hall and she could not say whether they were on campus during the incidents of May 2-4, 1970. 0/10

[redacted] stated that [redacted] works for [redacted] in Dayton, Ohio, painting houses located throughout the Dayton, Ohio, metropolitan area.

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B. APPROX. 1950

On May 20, 1970, [redacted] South Euclid, Ohio was contacted by SA [redacted] who identified himself as a Special Agent of the FBI and informed [redacted] that the interview concerned his knowledge of the events that transpired at Kent State University (KSU), May 1-4, 1970.

[redacted] is 20 years old and a junior at Kent State University.

[redacted] began by saying that he had been approached by two Agents of the FBI previous to this interview, but had refused to talk to them. After calling Legal Aid and the American Civil Liberties Union, [redacted] decided to talk to the FBI because "he had nothing to hide". [redacted] wanted to have an attorney present but after being told by Legal Aid that he would have to pay for an attorney himself, [redacted] decided to talk to the FBI without the presence of an attorney.

On Friday, May 1, 1970, [redacted] stated that he went to a sorority house at about 7:30 PM, then on to a Loft Bar around 10:30 PM. He was at the Loft Bar when about 11:00 - 11:30 PM, [redacted] heard students chanting. He went outside to see what was going on. Students were smashing windows and breaking bottles on the street. He and his friends went back towards KSU. On the way to KSU he saw policemen indiscriminantly hitting kids. Arriving at KSU he went to his dorm and to sleep.

Saturday, May 2, 1970, a rally was being sponsored by a faculty group called the World Historians. Organized against Racism and Exploitation. The rally began around 7:00 PM but not too many students showed up for it (approximately 1000). The rally then marched around campus picking up more students along the way. By this time, however, the faculty had lost the leadership of the rally. [redacted] id that it had been taken over by "hard core members of SDS and the Hippie faction". The marchers set the athletic shack afire. [redacted] stated that he had helped to put it out. The Guard arrived shortly after the ROTC fire. So [redacted] went to his dorm.

On 5/20/70 at South Euclid, Ohio File # Cleveland 98-2140

by SA [redacted]

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He saw the fire in the ROTC building but was not close enough to see who had lit it. [REDACTED] had no knowledge of what SDS members if any had started the demonstration and burnings.

Sunday, May 3, 1970, [REDACTED] stayed in his dorms and Sunday night watched the helicopters fly around the campus.

Monday, May 4, 1970, [REDACTED] went over to the Commons at about 12:00 PM. The students voted to strike. Shortly thereafter the Guard was brought up to disperse the crowd. [REDACTED] said the Guard fired tear gas and pepper gas. [REDACTED] said that he was in the crowd that was pushed over the hill and down across the practice field in front of Taylor Hall. [REDACTED] was beneath the field when the Guard turned to go back uphill. He states that he had just climbed back over the summit of the hill and onto the practice field when the National Guard fired on the students. He saw a girl fall with her head blown off and realized the Guard was not firing blanks.

[REDACTED] said that he approached the body of the slain girl. Students milled about the body while the Guard back off up the hill.

While bending over the girl's body, [REDACTED] said a piece of concrete flew at him. He has surmised that this was caused by a bullet hitting the concrete next to him. [REDACTED] did not hear a report from a rifle nor did he see the spent shell or bullet. He feels that nothing else could have made the chip of concrete fly towards him like it did, except a bullet.

[REDACTED] stated that he would not willingly testify before a Grand Jury. He further stated that he is telling the FBI the same things that he is going to tell the American Civil Liberties Union.

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[redacted] was contacted by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] at her residence, [redacted] New York.

[redacted] was made aware of the identities of the interviewing Agents and advised she was being interviewed to ascertain her knowledge and/or participation in the recent student demonstrations at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio on May 2, 1970.

[redacted] was then advised of her constitutional rights, namely that she had the right to remain silent, that anything she said could be used against her in a court of law and that she had the right to consult with an attorney prior to answering any questions. [redacted] was also furnished an Interrogation: Advice of Rights form which she refused to sign. [redacted] was then questioned specifically about her alleged participation or involvement in the burning of the ROTC Building at Kent State University. [redacted] then stated there were no facts in the allegations and thereafter refused to discuss the matter any further.

The following descriptive data of [redacted] was gained through observation and interview:

Name	[redacted]
Race	White
Height	5'8"
Weight	130-140 pounds
Hair	Brown, long
Eyes	Brown
Physical Characteristic	Wears metal framed glasses
Occupation	Student, Kent State University
Home Residence	[redacted] New York

On 5/22/70 at [redacted] New York

File # Buffalo 98-1235

by [redacted]

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[redacted] Pa., advised that he was born on January 2, 1949, and is a junior at Kent State University. He will be in the senior class in the fall of 1970. [redacted] advised that he resides at Kent State University in Johnson Hall.

He recalled that sometime during the rallies and prior to the shooting by the National Guard, he saw two men on one motorcycle come over the hill in front of Taylor Hall. He noticed them because they were shouting and waving. [redacted] did not believe that this incident occurred on the night of the fire of the ROTC Building because it was during the daylight hours.

He stated that he was a spectator just outside of the dorm the night of the fire. He saw no one that he could identify set fire to the ROTC Building or tried to prolong it.

He added that on Saturday, May 2, 1970, there was talk that there was going to be an attempt to burn down the ROTC Building. [redacted] did not know the source but observed that quite a few from the Johnson Hall dorm had been to rallies.

He stated that the evening of the fire he had gone to bed between 7 and 8 p.m. He was awakened by a couple of friends who told him, "They are trying to burn the ROTC Building." He got dressed and went outside. He could see a few flames and he could see a small group trying to throw what appeared to him to be flares. He noted that he was standing approximately 300 yards away from the group and could not identify anyone. He noted that the firemen were on hand already and the hoses were on. Suddenly the flames burst out on one side of the building and it was out of control.

[redacted] stated that the only organizations involved were the Kent Chapter to End the War in Vietnam and the Student Mobilization Committee (SMC). He stated these two organizations promulgated the rallies which were occurring. There were no hard core SDS on campus although the four previously arrested

On 5/25/70 at [redacted] Pa. File # Philadelphia 98-2502
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he heard had been released a few days before the incident of the fire. [REDACTED] did not see any of these individuals.

[REDACTED] stated that he himself did not attend any of the meetings and although he was at a couple of rallies they were all disorganized.

When he returned to his home in [REDACTED] on Sunday, May 24, 1970, he stated that his mail contained a letter dated May 13, 1970, from "Committee of Kent State Massacre Witnesses, c/o SMC, 2102 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio, 44115 621-6516." This letter was addressed to "Dear Fellow Kent Student" and contained a green enclosure soliciting funds. [REDACTED] made the above enclosure available.

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[REDACTED] Stow, Ohio, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. [REDACTED] furnished the following voluntary information:

[REDACTED] Kent, Ohio. These apartments are approved off campus housing, and all people living in the apartments are supposed to be students at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. [REDACTED] advised that he has no record of renting an apartment to one THOMAS MILLER at 134 West Summit Street, Kent, Ohio.

[REDACTED] advised he asked someone at the Dubetz Apartments about THOMAS MILLER and that person advised [REDACTED] that one THOMAS MILLER had been visiting one of the apartments at the 134 West Summit Street address. [REDACTED] advised that a list of the people residing at the 134 West Summit Street address had been provided the FBI by [REDACTED]

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On

SA [REDACTED]
SA [REDACTED]

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On June 1, 1970, the following investigation was conducted at Kent, Ohio, by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Attempts were made to locate and interview the following people and it was determined they were not at home on June 1, 1970:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED], Ohio

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Kent, Ohio

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Kent, Ohio

Date 6/4/70

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[redacted] was contacted at the [redacted]. He stated that he attended Kent State University and will graduate this year if he finishes the correspondence courses he has received. He stated that he followed a business course at the university and was a member of ROTC. He will receive his commission this month and if he should be needed for future inquiry he can be located through his mother [redacted] Ohio.

He advised that on May 1, 1970, he went to a movie in Kent, Ohio, and got out about the time of the disturbance. He did not stay to observe it but rather returned to his apartment. On Saturday, May 2, 1970, he picked his wife up at [redacted] at 7:00 PM, where she was employed and returned to their apartment where they stayed for the rest of the evening and therefore had no idea as to who may have set fire to the ROTC building. He advised that on Sunday, May 3, 1970, he helped the officers and other ROTC students clean up the mess and try to salvage items from the ROTC building. He stated that he was so occupied on Monday, May 4, 1970, when the shooting occurred. He stated from where he was working he could observe the students throwing the gas canisters back at the National Guard, but the activity was not within his view when the actual shooting took place and therefore he could not comment on the shooting.

He stated that since most of his friends are fellow ROTC members on campus he did not have any information as to who might have caused the fire at the ROTC building.

He advised that he carries Rail Road Flares in the trunk of his car as warning devices in the event of a breakdown. He stated that he received these flares while he worked for the railroad. He stated that on the night of the disturbance in downtown Kent, Ohio, May 1, 1970, he removed these flares from his car and took them to the apartment to keep them safe from theft. He stated that they must have rolled down behind the couch when he moved from the apartment. He advised that he did not give any flares to any Kent students and did not use any flares himself in connection with the fire at the ROTC building.

On 6/2/70 at [redacted] Ohio File # Cleveland 98-2140

by SA [redacted]
SA J. [redacted] RAB/jky Date dictated 6/2/70

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III. BURNING OF THE ROTC BUILDING

**B. INTERVIEWS WITH KENT STATE
UNIVERSITY (KSU) FACULTY**

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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[redacted] Pittsburgh, Pa.,
15217, telephone [redacted] advised as follows:

B. APPROX. 1951

[redacted] age 19, was a second year student at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio, during the 1969-70 Fall and Spring Terms. He is majoring in broadcasting and journalism. He is currently employed by the [redacted] Pennsylvania.

[redacted] was in Pittsburgh on Saturday, May 2, 1970. He returned to the Kent University campus at about 9:00 PM on May 3, 1970. [redacted] did not witness any disturbances on the Kent State Campus on May 2, 1970.

On Sunday, May 3, 1970, some students were driven off of the campus by tear gas released by the National Guard. [redacted] witnessed some of this activity. He saw no one injured.

The students were disturbed over the war in Vietnam and Cambodia and resented the presence of the National Guard. There was a rumor that a student had been bayoneted by a guard.

On Monday, May 4, 1970, signs appeared on the campus announcing a rally. It was rumored that the campus was under marshal law and a rally would not be permitted.

At 12:00 Noon about 800 to 900 students gathered on the campus in the vicinity of Taylor Hall.

A member of the National Guard told the assembled students to disperse. Tear gas was released by the guard.

[redacted] was hit with some tear gas and went into a nearby building to wash. In about five minutes [redacted] departed the building and took a position in about the center of the group of students, which then had increased to about 1,000.

There were a few hundred students looking out of windows in nearby buildings.

The students on the campus divided into two groups.

On 5/25/70 [redacted] Pennsylvania File # Pittsburgh 98-1317
by SA [redacted] Date dictated 5/26/70

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They were yelling "Pigs" at the guards and were yelling for the guards to get off the campus. Several long haired and bearded individuals were up front leading the students.

Some students were throwing small flat stones, about one inch in diameter, at the guards. Some of these stones hit the guards. One individual was observed to throw a rock approximately the size of a baseball. It did not hit anyone.

The guard had split; about 20 guards in two rows of 10 proceeded across the campus toward Taylor Hall. The front line dropped to one knee and pointed their guns at the students. They did not fire at this time but stood up and proceeded in their march.


The two groups of students took turns throwing stones at the guards and while the guards turned their attention to one group of students, the other attempted to throw back the tear gas canisters and throw stones.

The guards would release gas at one group of students and then at the other.

No firearms were observed in the hands of the students. No firearms were observed in possession of any individual in buildings or trees around the area.

The students were making so much noise it was difficult to hear.

The front line of guards, about 10 in number, went down on one knee and in unison pointed their guns at the students. The rear row of the guards pointed their guns slightly over the heads of the students. Shots in unison were heard.

 who by this time was at the rear of the group of students, ran into one of the school buildings.

All of the shots sounded alike as if coming from the same type of weapon.

[redacted] stated that in his opinion there would have been no violence if the students would have been permitted to have a rally on the campus.

He heard that there was possibly a few outsiders among the students, but he does not know who they were. He could not identify the leaders of the students. He could not identify students throwing stones. He could not identify the members of the National Guard who discharged firearms.

After the shooting, students' rooms were searched. [redacted] does not believe that the search was proper or legal.

[redacted] heard a rumor that a student was shot and killed by a police officer in civilian attire and that another was injured by this individual. He does not know the identity of this police officer.

The shooting took place at approximately 12:45 PM. The students did not entirely leave the campus until about 2:00 PM.

[redacted] did not observe a photographer being beaten. He did not observe the American flag being destroyed.

[redacted] article concerning the activity which was published in the May 7, 1970, issue of "The Pittsburgh Point," a weekly newspaper published in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

[redacted] will certify to the accuracy of this article.

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[redacted] who resides at [redacted]
West Virginia, and who is employed as [redacted]
[redacted] was interviewed.

[redacted] advised that he is subscriber to telephone [redacted]
Huntington, W. Va. [redacted] advised he has not
received any telephone calls from any persons in the vicinity of
Kent, Ohio. [redacted] advised that he has a daughter, age 20,
[redacted] and a student at Marshall University, Huntington,
W. Va., employed part-time at [redacted]
W. Va., who has an acquaintance who did attend Kent State University
at Kent, Ohio. [redacted] advised that it is quite possible his
daughter received telephone calls from this acquaintance whose
identity is unknown to [redacted]

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at [redacted] student who resides [redacted] was interviewed.

[redacted] advised that she resides with her parents at the above address and that her parents are subscribers to [redacted] telephone [redacted] explained that she is employed on a part-time basis at [redacted] Va. During February or March of 1970, she [redacted] who was a customer of [redacted] Store. [redacted] stated that [redacted] returned as a student to Kent State University about March, 1970, and resumed his studies at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio.

[redacted] advised that while [redacted] in [redacted] Va., she believes he may have worked for [redacted] and [redacted] Company, [redacted] Va.

[redacted] advised that based upon her recollection, on or about April 8, 1970, she received a long distance telephone call from [redacted] who was then at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. She learned that [redacted] attempted to telephonically contact her on two earlier occasions on that date; however, she had been at work and had not received the calls. At this time, [redacted] pursued a general conversation with [redacted]. They discussed activities in [redacted] French class, the fact that [redacted] had spent a sum of money on some records, and other general conversation. [redacted] also stated that at no time did [redacted] discuss his activities or give any indication that he was involved in any type of a demonstration, or a planned demonstration, and made no mention that demonstrations were planned at Kent State University in Kent, Ohio.

On May 5, 1970, [redacted] advised that she received another telephone call from [redacted] who stated that Kent State University had been closed due to student demonstrations, and that he was at that time in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, with a friend not further identified to [redacted]. [redacted] informed [redacted] that since Kent State University had been closed, that he and his friend had intended to drive around the country giving no specific reason or basis for his travels.

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[redacted] advised that [redacted] did come by her residence approximately two weeks prior to this interview, exact date unrecalled, and visited with her. At this time, [redacted] stated she asked [redacted] about the demonstration activities at Kent State University; however, he furnished her with no specific information which had not appeared in the local newspapers concerning demonstrations and the resulting death of four students at Kent State University, on or about the first week of May, 1970.

[redacted] stated that [redacted] informed her that he had stood around and watched the crowds and had observed the activities of the various persons involved in the activities at Kent State University, during the time the four students were killed, and that one of the students who was killed was a friend of his. [redacted] stated that based upon her conversation with [redacted] she does not believe that he was actively involved nor did he participate in any of the student activities involving Kent State University. [redacted] stated that she does not believe [redacted] is the type of individual who would actively engage in such activities and that he made no radical or liberal statements to her, offering an opinion one way or another.

[redacted] stated this assumption is based upon the fact that [redacted] made no forcible or aggressive comments favoring the activities of students and persons involved at Kent State University.

[redacted] advised that [redacted] previously resided at 230 East [redacted] Kent, Ohio, while he attended Kent State University. [redacted] advised that she does not know [redacted] present whereabouts and she has received no information from him since he telephonically contacted her, reportedly from Pittsburgh, Pa., approximately two weeks prior to this interview.

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1 [redacted] Bartender, Loft Bar, corner of West Main Street, and Franklin Avenue, Kent, Ohio, was advised of the identity of the interviewing agents. [redacted] was advised that the interviewing agents wished to know the identity of [redacted] (LNU) who visits the Dubetz Apartments, 134 West Summit Street, Kent, Ohio. [redacted] voluntarily furnished the following information:

[redacted] advised that the person that the FBI was attempting to locate is probably [redacted] who works part time at the Loft Bar, and resides in Aurora, Ohio. [redacted] advised [redacted] is a student at Kent State University, Kent, Ohio. [redacted] drives a 1962 Chevrolet, and resides with his parents.

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1 [redacted]
[redacted]
[redacted] Ohio, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents, and the fact that they wished to interview him concerning any knowledge he has concerning the KSU disturbances from May 1-4, 1970. [redacted] furnished the following voluntary information:

Sub. Sec. [redacted] advised that on Friday evening, May 1, 1970, he went camping near a small town thirty miles from Kent, Ohio. He left Friday afternoon, and returned on Saturday, May 2, 1970. [redacted] was accompanied on this camping trip by [redacted]

[redacted] According to [redacted] this group had the intention of camping out overnight; however, they had an open fire in the camping area, and the police came and told them they could not have an open fire; therefore, they went to a house owned by one of the parents of the people in the group and spent the evening in that house. [redacted] was aware of the disturbances that were taking place in downtown Kent, Ohio, on May 1, 1970, by reports he heard on the car radio. [redacted] advised he is not aware of any organized disturbances that were planned for the downtown Kent area on May 1, 1970. [redacted] further stated that he had heard that [redacted] was responsible for breaking a bank window in downtown Kent, Ohio, on the evening of May 1, 1970. [redacted] advised he had heard that [redacted] pushed a lawn seeder through the bank window. [redacted] is not aware of [redacted] current address. [redacted] employed at the [redacted] on West Main Street in Kent, Ohio. [redacted] feels that because of the people he knows and his place of employment, he would have heard about any planned rallies for Friday night, May 1, 1970.

[redacted] advised that on Saturday, May 2, 1970, he and the party that went camping returned to Kent, Ohio, early in the afternoon. [redacted] was staying with his girl friend [redacted] in College Towers Apartments, apartment [redacted] was staying at his girl friend's apartment and wherever else he could obtain lodging from his friends. [redacted] advised that because he was late in registering for the Spring term at KSU, he was unable to obtain housing accommodations in Kent, Ohio.

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He was forced to stay wherever he could with his friends. The reason why [redacted] was late in registering was because at the beginning of April, 1970, KSU had a break and [redacted] and some of his friends traveled to Florida for the Spring vacation.

[redacted] drove from Kent, Ohio, to Miami, Florida, accompanied by [redacted]. This term break lasted for approximately five days, but because of the fun [redacted] was having in Florida, he decided to stay on past the break and have a friend of his register for him for the Spring term. [redacted] advised he returned to Kent, Ohio, about four days after the 1970 Spring quarter began. [redacted] drove back to Kent, Ohio, accompanied by [redacted] (Last Name Unknown), a friend of [redacted] who was in Miami, Florida, and other people [redacted] could not recall. [redacted] lived with [redacted].

[redacted] advised that because he did not have living accommodations in Kent, Ohio, he stayed on occasion at the apartment of [redacted] and her roommates. One of [redacted] roommates was SANDRA SCHEUER. [redacted] described SANDRA as a real friendly person with a good sense of humor. SANDRA did not go to Florida with [redacted] or her roommate, [redacted]. SANDRA's main interest was speech therapy, and [redacted] understands that on the day SANDRA was killed on the KSU campus, she was going to work with a patient. [redacted] never heard that SANDRA SCHEUER wanted to go to any of the political rallies on the KSU campus. SANDRA was not politically minded and when people began discussing their political feelings, SANDY SCHEUER would be more inclined to joke about the subject and would make light of the entire conversation.

[redacted] continued to relate his activities on Saturday night, May 2, 1970, by stating that the same people who went camping on Friday night, drank beer at the College Towers, most of them going from apartments 766, 602 and 765. At approximately 9:00 or 10:00 p.m., on Saturday night, May 2, 1970, [redacted] decided to walk over to the area of the KSU campus known as the Commons. They had observed a large orange glow in the sky indicating a fire from the direction of the Commons, and they had heard at the College Towers that the ROTC building on the KSU campus was burning. Before they began walking toward the Commons, they met individuals telling them "they" were firing tear gas on the Commons. [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] decided not to continue on to the Commons; however, [redacted] continued on to the Commons. [redacted] advised that when they arrived at the Commons, they stopped at the top of the hill on the northeast side of Taylor Hall and saw about 1000 students in the Commons area. Approximately 300 to 400 people were gathered around the victory bell on the Commons. [redacted] advised the ROTC building was burning and they observed the Ohio National Guard (ONG) arriving on the west end of the Commons. [redacted] heard an announcement directed to the students on the Commons advising them that they should leave the area. At this point, [redacted] and [redacted] left the area and returned to College Towers.

[redacted] advised he could not furnish any firsthand information concerning the burning of the ROTC building.

On Sunday, May 3, 1970, [redacted] was talking with THOMAS MILLER, who resides in Dubetz Apartments, Kent, Ohio. THOMAS MILLER is known best by his nickname "AQUINAS". [redacted] advised that THOMAS MILLER told him that "we" cut the fire hose, and "we" were responsible for setting the fire to the ROTC building. THOMAS MILLER resides in the first apartment on the right on the first floor coming in the back door of the Dubetz Apartments on West Summit Street, Kent, Ohio. [redacted] described AQUINAS as approximately 5 feet 9 inches, to 5 feet 10 inches, white male, meek personality, a funny, easy-going type guy. THOMAS MILLER owns a goat. [redacted] advised that THOMAS MILLER lives with KSU students, but [redacted] believes MILLER is not a student. [redacted] believes that MILLER is a poet and wanted to write poetry and other articles that he has been unable to write until coming to Kent, Ohio. THOMAS MILLER has never discussed his political convictions with [redacted] considers MILLER very intelligent, and when MILLER was discussing how he cut the fire hoses, it was during a group discussion, but [redacted] cannot recall who else was present during this discussion. [redacted] does recall MILLER stating, "we" broke the windows to the ROTC building, then "we" lit the curtains, and then someone else threw a Molotov cocktail on the roof of the ROTC building. THOMAS MILLER, according to [redacted] is trying to change his name legally to "AQUINAS MOONROCKET". [redacted] further advised that when he heard from [redacted] that the FBI wished to talk with him, and that the FBI had mentioned "AQUINAS" name, [redacted] called AQUINAS to tell him that the FBI was looking for him and to further advise him to leave town. When [redacted] telephonically contacted AQUINAS' apartment, he was advised by someone that THOMAS MILLER, "AQUINAS", had "split."

[redacted] advised he is in total sympathy with the students who burned the ROTC building on the KSU campus. The reason why [redacted] has sympathy for the burning of the ROTC building is because he feels that the burning of the building was the only way the students could wake up the administration of the KSU campus to the fact that the students must be heard. [redacted] advised that all rational attempts had been made for a long period of time to have the students' views made known to the KSU administration and they resulted in no evidence of success. [redacted] sympathy with the burning lies with the students' feelings and not the actual burning. These students believed they were doing right in burning the ROTC building because this was the only means of communication left to them.

[redacted] advised that he is aware of JERRY RUBIN's philosophy indicating that if college students cannot make their parents believe what is going on today on the campus is right, they should kill their parents. [redacted] describes himself as a complete left radical. [redacted] interpretation of RUBIN's theories concerning parents is that if parents are not part of the solution to relieve the oppressed youth of today, figuratively, the present day education system should be changed and the whole idea of rearing children should be changed. Today's children are being taught in the schools a limited scope of beliefs and they are not being educated in the problems of the oppressed people in America today. [redacted] believes that JERRY RUBIN actually means that students should kill their parents, but [redacted] only believes that the modern day education system should be corrected. [redacted] further related he has been raised in a capitalistic system and has known the better things in life. He feels that the oppressed people of America should be helped; however, if it came to a point where he would have to change places with an oppressed person, he could not do it because he is too used to the modern day conveniences he has. [redacted] advised he does not advocate the violent overthrow of the United States Government. He feels that students today do not get credit for their understanding of what is happening. The students of today have more insight into the problems of the country than the news media and the general public itself.

[redacted] advised on Sunday, May 3, 1970, he went to a rally at the Commons of the KSU campus. At approximately 4:00 or 5:00 p.m., on May 3, 1970, he was in a crowd of approximately 600 students gathered around the victory bell on

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the Commons. This group of students left the area of the Commons and marched to the Eastway Hall complex of dormitories. Some members of this crowd began throwing rocks at the windows of the dormitories, but other members told them to stop and they did. The crowd marched around to Tri Towers complex of dormitories and the number of the crowd increased to approximately 2000 people. As the crowd approached Dunbar Hall, they were met by a group of ONG who had formed on Midway Lane near Dunbar Hall. The ONG fired tear gas without any type of warning at the crowd and [redacted] and other members of the crowd ran into Dunbar Hall to escape the tear gas. At approximately 9:30 or 10:00 p.m. [redacted] left Dunbar Hall and saw helicopters flying overhead on the campus with spot lights shining on the ground. [redacted] observed students dancing in the spot lights. At approximately 10:00 p.m., [redacted] was a member of a crowd gathered on East Main Street in front of the main gate of the KSU campus. The ONG was blocking Main Street toward the downtown area of Kent, Ohio. They were also blocking Main Street heading east, placing the crowd [redacted] was in between the two lines of ONG.

A student member of this crowd gathered on Main Street approached the ONG and talked with them for a period of time. This student then spoke over a police loudspeaker and told the crowd that he had been advised that if the crowd moved back onto the KSU campus President WHITE and the Mayor of Kent, Ohio, would come and talk to the students. The crowd moved back onto the campus and about 5 minutes after they were on the KSU campus, the National Guard fired tear gas at the students. The students began to run and [redacted] ran south on Lincoln Street and into a house on Lincoln Street. As [redacted] was running down Lincoln Street, two girls were helping a boy and requested [redacted] to assist them. [redacted] saw that the boy had been bayoneted in the back. [redacted] helped this boy into a house on Lincoln Street located two houses north of Delta Gamma Fraternity House. [redacted], a friend of [redacted] who has been in the military service, held the wound shut until the ambulance came. [redacted] left the house where the wounded student was and accompanied the stretcher to the ambulance. As he walked by Ohio National Guardsman, he asked him, "Did you find the murderer?" The Guardsman replied to [redacted] by saying, "I'd just as soon shoot you as look at you, so get the hell out." [redacted] left Kent, Ohio, early Monday morning at approximately 2:00 a.m.,

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and returned to his home in Northfield Center, Ohio. [redacted] advised he was not present on the KSU campus on Monday, May 4, 1970, during the shooting. [redacted] feels that because the ONG lied to the students gathered on Main Street Sunday night, that is the reason why it was such a large turnout for the rally on Monday, May 4, 1970.

[redacted] advised that JEFFREY MILLER, who was killed on Monday, May 4, 1970, had dated SANDY SCHUEER. [redacted] only knew JEFFREY MILLER through SANDY SCHUEER. [redacted] feels that JEFF was a politically minded individual and that MILLER is a rational type person and [redacted] does not believe MILLER would have thrown any rocks at the Ohio National Guardsmen.

The following description was obtained through observation and interview:

Name	[redacted]
Alias	[redacted]
Sex	Male
Race	Caucasian
Date of Birth	April 11, 1948
Place of Birth	[redacted], Ohio
Height	6 feet
Weight	165 pounds
Build	average
Hair	brown
Eyes	green
Residence	[redacted] Ohio
Telephone Number	[redacted]
Occupation	Student (junior) Biology Major KSU;
Marital Status	[redacted] Pennsylvania single
Family Members	
Father	[redacted]
Mother	[redacted]
Brother	[redacted]
Sister	[redacted]

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Arrests
Miscellaneous

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Date 6/2/701*aka "Aquinas", Aquinas in Kent, Ohio.*

THOMAS MILLER, 134 West Summit Street, Kent, Ohio, was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents. MILLER was advised that the interviewing Agents wished to discuss with him his presence at the burning of the ROTC Building on the Kent State University (KSU) campus, Kent, Ohio on May 2, 1970. Special Agent [redacted] advised MILLER of his rights, and presented him with a warning and waiver form. MILLER refused to sign the rights form and refused to discuss the burning of the KSU ROTC Building.

The interviewing Agents requested MILLER to furnish background information and MILLER advised he had been interviewed by the FBI in Kent, Ohio, previously, and at that time had furnished all of his background information.

The interview was concluded at this point.

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[redacted] was advised of the identities of interviewing agents, the reason for which he was being contacted, and his Constitutional rights according to "Interrogation; Advice of Rights", FD 395, which he read, advised he fully understood, but which he declined to sign. [redacted] consented to be interviewed, and furnished the following information: [redacted] OHIA

On June 2, 1970, around 6 to 7:00 P.M., [redacted] drove [redacted] and [redacted] to Kent, Ohio, from Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, in his 1970 Green Maverick automobile. Both [redacted] and [redacted] are students at Cuyahoga Falls High School.

Upon arriving in Kent, the three wandered around in the downtown area, and then proceeded to a house located next to a church parking lot in Kent, on Mantua Street. They went into the upstairs apartment of the house which was occupied by [redacted]

[redacted] someone told [redacted] that [redacted] had taken "acid" (LSD), and [redacted] observed that [redacted] gave the appearance of one who was under the influence of drugs. Sometime afterward, [redacted] and [redacted] both from North Hampton, Ohio, who attend Woodridge High School, arrived in a Volkswagen bus, driven by [redacted]

About one half hour later, someone suggested going to the Kent State University campus "to see what was going on". [redacted]

[redacted] got into [redacted] Volkswagen, and went to KSU. Sometime between 7:30 and 8:00 P.M., they arrived at the "Pit" section of the Tri-Towers Dormitory. In the Pit, when they arrived, were [redacted]

The Pit was full of individuals of student age, and were being fed sandwiches from somewhere upstairs. Either [redacted] was carrying a hunting knife with sheath.

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After a short space of time, most of the individuals in the Pit, including [redacted] and the above named persons, started moving out of the Pit and toward the Commons area of KSU. [redacted] did not pick up any rocks along the way, nor did he see anyone else do so. The group from the Pit appeared to be led, at least partially, by RUPE and RICK (LNU).

Individuals of student age had already gathered near a ROTC building on the edge of the Commons when [redacted] arrived there. Individuals, whom [redacted] could not identify began throwing rocks at the ROTC building and the rocks could be heard striking the building and breaking glass. [redacted] who were located near the front of the crowd facing the ROTC building, were together during the activities that followed.

People started chanting "Burn, ROTC, Burn", and numerous flare type incendiary devices were thrown at the ROTC building. [redacted] observed one flare roll off the roof and a white male with dark hair, whom [redacted] could not identify picked it off the ground, and threw it into the building. The ROTC building caught fire, and later an athletic shed located across the Commons from the ROTC building, was fired by unknown individuals.

At one point, [redacted] noticed a burning United States of America flag being held aloft and carried from place to place by RUPE, who later threw same on the ground.

Later the crowd moved off campus along Main Street in Kent, after which time units of the National Guard began arriving to maintain order. From Main Street, the crowd again moved to the KSU Commons, and sat on Blanket Hill (a section of the Commons) watching the ROTC building burn. By this time, the ROTC building was completely in flames.

Around 11:00 P.M. everyone, including [redacted] moved back to the Pit. Afterwards, [redacted] (LNU) departed and went back to the Mantua Street residence, which was vacant. [redacted] and [redacted] left for Cuyahoga Falls in [redacted] Laverick without [redacted] whose location was unknown.

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[redacted] denied taking part in any activity of a destructive nature on the night of May 2, 1970, and could not identify anyone else who did, with the exception of JERRY RUPE.

The following description of [redacted] was obtained through observation and interview:

Sex
Race
Date of Birth
Place of Birth
Height
Hair
Weight
Eyes
SSN
Education

Residence

Father
Mother
Sisters

Employment

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[redacted] declined to furnish a written statement since he thought his oral statement would suffice.

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Date June 2, 1970

[redacted] student, Woodridge Ohio, was located for interview at the high school and he was immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, orally advised of his constitutional rights by SA [redacted] and he read same as indicated on an executed Warning of Rights and Waiver Form. [redacted] was interviewed thereafter in the presence of [redacted] Principal, [redacted] in view of school policy.

[redacted] advised he is 17 years of age and resides with his parents at [redacted] Ohio. He stated he traveled in his 1963 Volkswagen bus, light green in color, which bears 1970 Ohio license, to Kent, Ohio, on the evening of May 2, 1970. He acknowledged he was accompanied on this trip by a fellow [redacted]. He advised upon their arrival in Kent, he and [redacted] stopped at the residence of his friend, (First Name Unknown) [redacted] who lives on North Mantua, Kent.

He advised they arrived there at approximately 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. and also at the residence upon arrival were the following individuals: [redacted] (Last Name Unknown), [redacted] student at Cuyahoga Falls High School, [redacted] and [redacted] (phonetic), friends of [redacted] and both students Cuyahoga Falls High School. He stated [redacted] and [redacted] (LNU) may have been at the residence, however, he is not sure. He does recall the brother of [redacted] and his girlfriend, [redacted] were also at the residence.

[redacted] acknowledged that [redacted] has a hunting knife and scabbard, however, he does not know whether [redacted] carried this knife when these individuals left the residence later that evening.

[redacted] advised he [redacted]

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from the North Mantua residence in his Volkswagen bus to the campus of Kent State University (KSU). He stated they arrived on the campus at approximately 8:00 p.m. and later during the evening, he did observe [redacted] and [redacted] along with [redacted] brother and his girlfriend on the KSU campus in the vicinity of the ROTC Building. He stated shortly after their arrival, the group he was with joined a large group of individuals near the Tri-Towers Dormitory and marched en masse toward the ROTC Building just off the "Commons". He stated the only leader he noted was a white male whom he did not know, who had a megaphone and was shouting orders to the crowd such as "Pick up rocks" and he acknowledged at this time that he and [redacted] picked up rocks along the march, however, he did not throw any rocks at any buildings that night. He stated he could not speak for [redacted] as to whether he threw any rocks at the ROTC Building.

He stated the only persons recognized by him in the area of the ROTC Building on the night of May 2, 1970, were those previously mentioned, and he did not personally know did he observe any of the others set fire to the ROTC Building.

[redacted] stated after a fire was started in the corner office, first floor, of the ROTC Building, firemen arrived and he did join a large group of people and pulled on the firehose so that the firemen could not utilize same in putting out the fire. He acknowledged he observed leaks in the firehose shortly thereafter, however, he did not observe any individual cutting same. He stated just prior to the fire starting in the ROTC Building, he observed JERRY (LNU) carrying a burning American flag on a stick amongst the crowd.

[redacted] acknowledged he marched around the campus with a large group of individuals, and he observed a small shed set afire, accompanied the group down to Main Street, and then returned when the group heard the Ohio National Guard (ONG) was coming. He stated he and the group returned to a hall overlooking the ROTC Building and sat for awhile and watched same burn.

He stated at approximately 11:00 p.m., he and [redacted] left the KSU campus in his Volkswagen bus,

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and they returned to their respective residences in [redacted] Ohio.

He advised when he and [redacted] left, he observed [redacted] heading toward the Tri-Towers Dormitory.

[redacted] advised he could provide no additional information regarding the burning of the ROTC Building and did not see that it would be necessary for him to execute a statement as he has admitted his participation in the activities as stated above.

The following descriptive information was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:
Race:
Sex:
Age:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Height:
Weight:
Hair:
Eyes:
Residence:

Occupation:

Parents:

[redacted]

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[redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents, the reason for being contacted, and his Constitutional rights according to "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" form, which he read, advised he fully understood, but declined to sign. [redacted] consented to be interviewed and furnished the following information:

On May 2, 1970, in the late afternoon [redacted] along with [redacted] also a student at [redacted] Ohio, in [redacted] Volkswagen bus for Kent, Ohio. They were supposed to meet [redacted] at a church parking lot next to a house in Kent, Ohio, and upon observing [redacted] vehicle, a Maverick, parked outside the residence, they entered the upstairs portion, an apartment. Inside the apartment were [redacted]. [redacted] observed no one taking drugs or under the influence of same.

[redacted] advised that there was supposed to be a rally at Kent State University (KSU), and [redacted] got into the Volkswagen bus. [redacted] drove them to KSU where they got out, wandered around for a while, and then congregated with other individuals of student age in a lounge on campus. The lounge was so crowded that it was hard to move around. Sandwiches and "pop" were being served in the upstairs portion of the lounge. [redacted] was heard to shout, "One, two, three, four, we don't want your fucking war."

People started leaving the lounge area, and [redacted] and [redacted] followed the crowd which was going in the direction of the Commons. The crowd passed a construction site, where [redacted] picked up a rock and [redacted] picked up several. [redacted] observed a large portion of the crowd picking up rocks.

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The crowd arrived at the Commons, and [redacted] observed people throwing rocks and flares at a campus ROTC building. [redacted] advised that he might have thrown his rock, but could not remember for sure. [redacted] assumed [redacted] threw his rocks, but did not actually see him nor anyone else he could identify throw rocks. [redacted] and [redacted] were standing approximately 60 yards from the ROTC building. At one point [redacted] observed the ROTC building being doused with a can of inflammatory liquid, which was subsequently lighted and caused the ROTC building to burn more profusely than it had previously.

At some point [redacted] took a United States of America flag, which belonged to [redacted] and while an unidentified individual held the flag, [redacted] took a cigarette lighter, frayed the edge of the flag, and then ignited the flag. The flag was burning and was later thrown on a tree limb and continued to burn. The flag was about three feet long and two feet wide.

Firemen arrived at the scene and tried to fight the fire, but their activity was curtailed by [redacted] and an individual called JERRY, whom [redacted] could not identify completely. Two hoses were laid out by the firemen, and JERRY led an attack on the first hose which was pulled away from the firemen. The second hose was also removed from the control of the firemen, and [redacted] personally helped remove the second hose by physically pulling the hose away from the firemen. [redacted] later noticed water spurting from the sides of the hoses and concluded that some hoses must have been cut by members of the crowd, none of whom he could identify.

Although [redacted] could not identify anyone who threw rocks or flares, he advised that MILLER, JERRY, [redacted] were up front in the crowd, in the vicinity from which the above items were being thrown.

The crowd and [redacted] later moved off campus to Main Street, Kent, where [redacted] observed JERRY tearing down a bus stop sign. [redacted] also observed [redacted] throw a rock at National Guardsmen in a jeep. The Guardsmen arrived during the time the crowd moved out in the Main Street vicinity.

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The crowd and [redacted] then went back to the Commons area where the ROTC building was completely in flames, having only been burning on one end when the crowd had departed for Main Street.

After watching the building burn, [redacted] and [redacted] returned to the Volkswagen bus and drove back to Peninsula, Ohio.

A written statement was not furnished since [redacted] thought that an oral statement would suffice.

The following description of [redacted] was taken through observation and interview:

Sex:	Male
Race:	Caucasian
Birth Data:	January 8, 1954, at Akron, Ohio
Height:	5' 6"
Weight:	144 pounds
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Blue
Scars and Marks:	[redacted]
Characteristics:	[redacted]
Residence:	[redacted]
Father:	[redacted]
Mother:	[redacted]
Brothers:	[redacted]
Social Security Number	[redacted]

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[redacted] Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, was interviewed at [redacted] in the presence of [redacted]. At the outset of the interview, [redacted] was advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and of the nature of the interview. He was then furnished by SA [redacted] with a copy of a form entitled "Interrogation: Advice of Rights." [redacted] read this form, indicated orally that he completely understood it, but refused to sign the form. He then furnished the following information:

[redacted] went to a rally at Kent State University (KSU) on the night of May 2, 1970. He was picked up at his house by an individual named [redacted] who is a friend of [redacted]. [redacted] is driving a Volkswagen bus. There were [redacted] individuals in the bus, including himself, [redacted]. He could recall none of the names of the other individuals involved.

The bus with the above individuals arrived at KSU at approximately 7:00 to 8:00 PM, May 2, 1970. [redacted] stated that he could not recall if anyone else took any kind of narcotic during the evening and refused to state whether or not he had. When he got to KSU, he went right to Tri-Towers Dormitory and there was a large crowd of people at Tri-Towers when they arrived. The mob then marched to the KSU Commons. People then started running to the ROTC building. They started throwing rocks and breaking windows in the building. There did not appear at that time, or at any other time, to be any leader of the mob.

[redacted] stated that he, himself, threw several rocks at the ROTC building. He got the rocks from the ground around him. He estimated the crowd at that time to be 500 to 600 persons.

He then saw a red glow coming from a corner office in the ROTC building and the building started to catch on fire. He did not see who started the fire. He then saw people running up to the windows of the ROTC

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building and throwing in flares and what appeared to be paper. He did not know any of these people, nor could he identify them. He, himself, threw nothing of this sort into the building. He saw no one throw in what appeared to be rags, nor did he see anyone around any motorcycles.

Shortly after the building started to catch on fire, the Fire Department came. People then started to take hoses from the firemen. A group of people from the mob ran toward him with a hose and someone said pull, so he pulled the hose too. He could recall no one else who was involved with pulling this hose.

He had, by this time, become separated from the other individuals who had come to the rally with him. The hose he pulled was a hose that was trailed by the fire department as they came to the ROTC building and was hooked to a hydrant above the building. There was no water in the hose when they first got ahold of it, but the hydrant was opened shortly thereafter.

[redacted] stated that he then cut through the covering of the hose with a pocket knife. Water pressure pulled the hose away from him at that point.

He stated that after this he went to the hill behind the ROTC building and watched the building burn.

He then returned to Tri-Towers, where he was allowed to return to his home some time after that. He then recalled that one TOM FOGLESONG had been with the group when they went to the rally. He was not with TOM FOGLESONG when he was pulling on the hose.

The following description of [redacted] was taken from observation and interview:

Name:

Address:

Height:

Weight:

Hair:

Eyes:

Scars, Marks and
Tattoos:

[redacted]
Ohio
[redacted]

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Social Security
Number:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Mother:



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THOMAS GRAYDON FOGLESONG was interviewed at his home at 3046 South Oakhill Road, Silver Lake, Ohio. At the outset of the interview, he was advised of the identity of the interviewing Agents and of the nature of the interview. He was then furnished by SA [redacted] with a copy of a form entitled, "Interrogation; Advice of Rights" which he read, indicated orally he understood and signed. He then furnished the following information:

On May 2, 1970, FOGLESONG was picked up at his residence by one [redacted] in a green 1970 Ford Haverick. [redacted] was with [redacted] at that time. From his house, they proceeded to Kent, Ohio, where they went to a house located on North Mantua Street. This house can be reached by turning left off of Route 5 onto North Mantua Street. The house is then the first house on the right. At that house, they met [redacted] girlfriend, [redacted] and another male with long blond hair. They stayed at the house for a while and heard about a rally to take place that evening on the campus of Kent State University (KSU) about 7:30 to 8:00 PM. At about this time, [redacted] and himself went to the KSU campus in BOB's Volkswagen bus and parked in a parking lot at the school and walked to Tri-Towers dorm. FOGLESONG stated that this is where the rally was to be held. He advised that he does not know if any of the other individuals had taken any sort of narcotic, but stated that he did not do so himself.

When they arrived at Tri-Towers, there was a crowd of approximately 1000 people milling around and shooting firecrackers. Shortly thereafter, the crowd of people started marching. He does not know what started them and there seemed to be no person directing them. The mob moved toward the Commons at KSU. They got to the Commons when it started to get dark, at approximately 8:30 to 8:45 PM.

FOGLESONG advised that during the evening, he was not really with any of the individuals with whom he

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had come to the rally, but just saw them on and off intermittently. He knew faces of some of the individuals other than those they he came to the rally with, but he knew no one by name other than those people.

Shortly after arriving at the Commons, people started throwing rocks at the ROTC building. They were rocks that were obtained by picking them up off the ground. The people throwing the rocks probably amounted to approximately 100 and were limited to those persons in front of the mob.

FOGLESONG stated that he, himself, was in front of the mob and threw two rocks at the ROTC building. He does not know where one rock hit, but the other rock landed on the roof.

FOGLESONG stated that "by that time things got out of hand." Someone was ringing the bell on the KSU Commons, but he had no idea who. Then, an unseen individual threw a flare at the ROTC building, but the flare bounced off and hit the ground. Someone else, who he could not see and could not determine if he knew him and could not identify, threw this flare inside the ROTC building. This flare did nothing and appeared to burn out. The fire department arrived a short time after that. Some one, who he could not see well enough to identify, then ran up and tried to start the curtains on fire. They caught on fire. Then approximately 60 to 70 members of the group came running around the side of the ROTC building, pulling on a hose. When they got to him, he also pulled on the hose. He did not know where the hose was coming from. After the hose had been pulled out apparently as far as it would go, some one started beating on it with a stick. He did not know who this was. He saw no one trying to cut the hose. He also saw [REDACTED] pulling on the same hose.

The police, at this point, came, and approximately 15 to 20 of them lined up between the mob and the ROTC building. The police started shooting tear gas at the mob and FOGLESONG got a good whiff of it. He started backing up toward the hill in back of the ROTC building and the mob appeared to scatter. They then saw the Ohio National Guard coming. He sat on the hill and watched the fire burn for a short time. He saw no one throwing anything at firemen.

A second hose on the Commons side of the ROTC building was also pulled away from the firemen by the mob, but he has no idea who pulled that hose. He saw no firemen assaulted, nor did he see any motorcycles around.

During the evening he saw no one that he recognized doing anything but standing around with the exception of [REDACTED] who he saw pulling on the same hose that he pulled on.

The Ohio National Guard then marched toward the hill he was seated on. He eventually got into Tri-Towers dorm and an hour and a half later he was told to go.

A friend of [REDACTED] gave [REDACTED] and him a ride in a dark colored Volkswagen sedan to [REDACTED] car, which was parked at the house on North Mantua Street. He then was driven to his home by [REDACTED]

The following description was obtained from observation and interview:

Name:	THOMAS GRAYDON FOGLESONG
Address:	3046 South Oakhill Road Silver Lake, Ohio
Height:	6'3"
Weight:	180 pounds
Hair:	Blond
Eyes:	Blue
Social Security Number:	032-40-7730
Date of Birth:	May 7, 1950
Military Service:	None (Registered for draft with Local Board, Akron, Ohio)
Mother:	BERNADINE FOGLESONG 3046 South Oakhill Road Silver Lake, Ohio
Father:	THOMAS FOGLESONG 3046 South Oakhill Road Silver Lake, Ohio

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Sisters:

PAT FOGLESONG

Age 17

JAN FOGLESONG

Age 13

3046 South Oakhill Drive

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RICHARD CONRAD FELBER, also known as RICK FELBER, was interviewed at his current place of residence, 2nd floor apartment at 127 North Mantua Street, Kent, Ohio. He was immediately advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and was informed the purpose of the interview was to discuss with him the burning of the ROTC building on the campus of Kent State University (KSU), Kent, Ohio, during the evening of May 2, 1970.

FELBER was furnished a Waiver of Rights form, which he read and stated he understood but refused to sign.

FELBER advised he was present on the KSU campus at approximately 8:00 PM on the evening of May 2, 1970. He said he witnessed the burning of the ROTC building and he was present when it was initially set on fire. He refused to identify any individuals he saw present at the fire, refused to state if he saw anyone set it on fire, and also refused to say if he saw anyone interfering with the firemen who were attempting to put out the blaze. FELBER did admit that he knew some individuals present at the fire, but he refused to furnish any of their names or if they had any part in setting the building aflame.

When FELBER was asked if he himself had any part in setting the ROTC building aflame or had any part in interfering with the firemen who were attempting to put the blaze under control, he replied by stating he could not answer that question.

FELBER was also asked specifically if he knew who set the ROTC building aflame and he replied he did not. He was also asked if he did know who set the building on fire would he identify that person to the FBI and he stated he would not.

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The following physical description of FELBER was obtained through observation and interview:

Name:	RICHARD CONRAD FELBER
Alias:	RICK FELBER
Race:	Caucasian
Sex:	Male
Birth Data:	September 12, 1949, at Akron, Ohio
Height:	6' 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
Weight:	165 pounds
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Blond (shoulder length)
Eyes:	Green (always wears glasses)
Marital Status:	Single
Military:	None
Selective Service Status:	Registered with Local Board 113, Akron, Ohio; classified 2-S
Selective Service Number:	33-113-49-801
Employment:	Unemployed
Education:	High school graduate; dropped out of KSU at end of Fall Quarter 1969
Parents:	Mr. and Mrs. JOHN J. FELBER, 984 Inman Street, Akron, Ohio
Present Address:	127 North Mantua Street, second floor apartment, Kent, Ohio

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JERRY RUPE, 127 North Mantua Street, Kent, Ohio, (second floor apartment), was contacted by Special Agents [redacted] and [redacted] at his place of residence. After being advised of the identities of the interviewing Agents and the purpose of the interview, an Interrogation and Advice of Rights form was afforded to RUPE. A Waiver of Rights form was executed and he then supplied the following information:

RUPE advised that on the evening of Saturday, May 2, 1970, he walked from his residence at the above location to the campus of Kent State University (KSU), Kent, Ohio. He was unable to state the exact time he arrived nor the time he left nor the purpose of his visit to the KSU campus.

RUPE advised that he was unable to supply any information regarding the burning of the ROTC building or any of the activities that took place on the KSU campus that evening. He stated he did not like the rap of the crowd that had gathered on the Commons of the KSU campus so he left the campus and returned to his residence.

RUPE stated he did not start the fire at the ROTC building nor did he take part in the burning of the building and did not have anything to do with the destruction of the fire hoses.

RUPE advised he was unable to supply any positive information regarding the activities which took place on the KSU campus during the weekend of May 1-4, 1970. He stated he was unable to supply the names of any individuals who were on the campus of KSU at the time the ROTC building was burned.

RUPE advised he is employed with his father in installing ceramic tile and is presently working at Ohio

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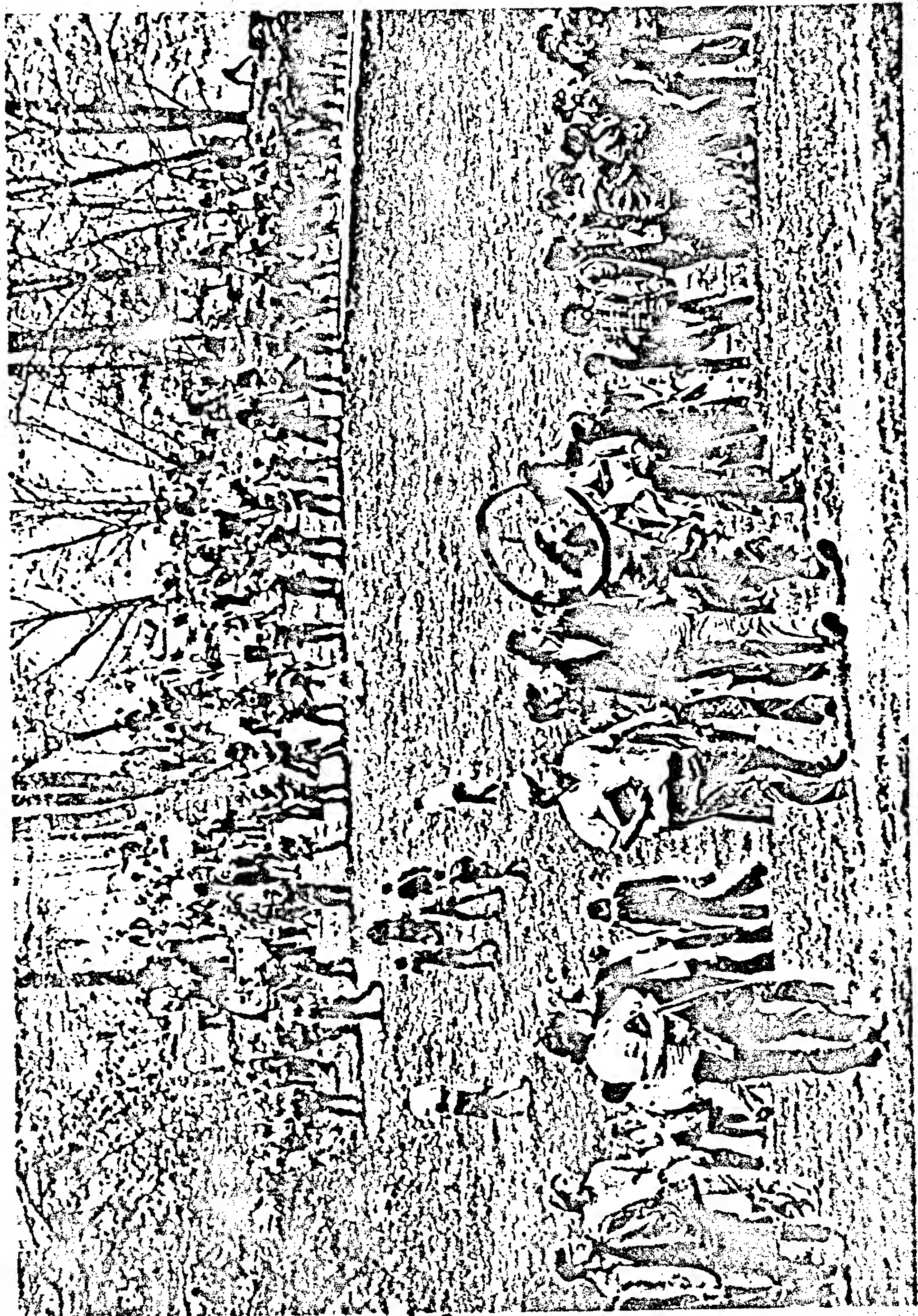
University, Athens, Ohio. RUPE was unable to supply the name of the construction firm.

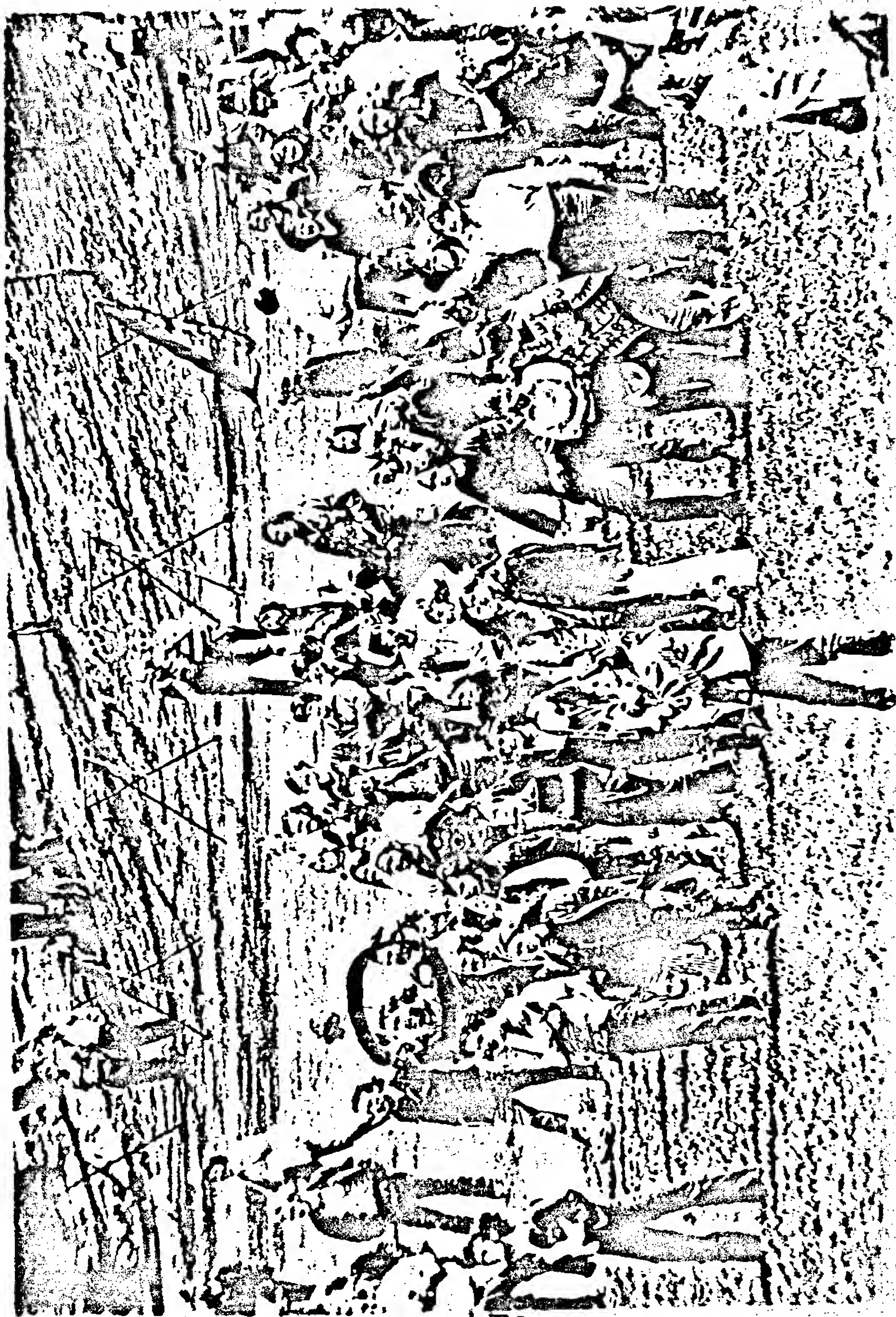
The following background information was obtained from observation and interview:

Name:	JERRY RUPE
Race:	Caucasian
Sex:	Male
Birth:	July 23, 1948, at Eustis, Florida
Height:	5' 11"
Weight:	180 pounds
Build:	Medium
Hair:	Brown
Eyes:	Blue
Scars and Marks:	Two tattoos each on left and right upper arms; one tattoo of bird on right wrist; one tattoo on left hand
Marital Status:	Single
Social Security Number:	288-40-7579
Selective Service Status:	1-Y [REDACTED]
Army Serial Number:	RA 15733423

THE FOLLOWING TWO PHOTOGRAPHS
WERE DISPLAYED TO [REDACTED]
CLEVELAND, OHIO, ON May 25, 1970,
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